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in one the hearts of all mankind;
bid thou our sad divisions cease,
and be thyself our King of Peace

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Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel
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Prayer for children making their first communion:

Lord God, you build us up
by our sharing in this sacred meal,
so that each of us may be part
of the body of Christ, united in him.
Guide all these your children,
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Keep them safe,
bring them back when they stray,
and satisfy their hunger,
through the One who is the Living Bread,
our Saviour Jesus Christ – Amen

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